Thank you for your part in making Newport a success!

Each and every one of you should be proud of the multiple missions accomplished at the Newport Chemical Depot. Even though the Army will be gone and new organizations will come in, the legacy of the Newport work force will remain.

Newport's legacy will continue to live on at:

http://visions.indstate.edu/visions/necd.html

View photos, videos and documents from various Newport projects.

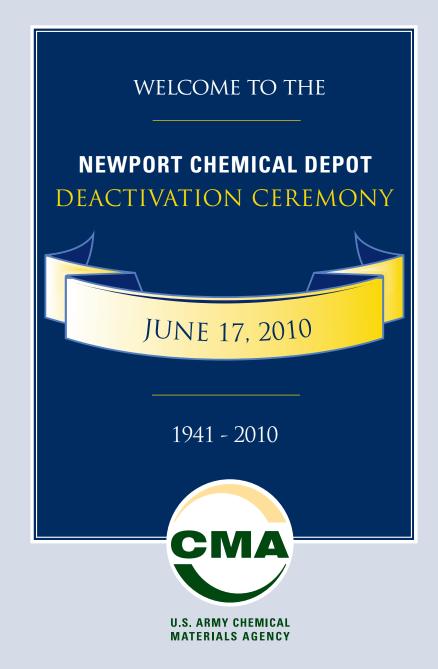
Inscription on the groundbreaking ceremony monument used to mark the time capsule location on site:

THIS FACILITY IS DEDICATED
IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING EFFORTS
OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE AIDED THE MISSIONS
OF THE NEWPORT CHEMICAL DEPOT
AND THEIR MANY OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE NATION'S DEFENSE

NEWPORT CHEMICAL AGENT DISPOSAL FACILITY

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

APRIL 8, 2000



ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

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BRIEF HISTORY OF THE DEPOT.......Mr. Tom Wilkey

CASING OF THE COLORS

WELCOME......Chemical Materials Agency Director,
Mr. Conrad F. Whyne

REMARKS.....Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army,
Mr. Carmen J. Spencer

TRIBUTE TO WORK FORCE LEGACY

Time Capsule

RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS

ARMY SONG

DEPARTURE OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY

FINAL REMARKS

Please join us in the South Main Trailer following the ceremony for refreshments.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FLAG

and what closure means for the future

When a change of command was to take place, the flag was passed to the individual assuming the command. This gesture was accomplished so that all could see and witness their new leader assuming his dutiful position.

Following a long and illustrious history of nearly 70 years and thousands of employees, the Newport Chemical Depot will case its colors and be deactivated. This ceremony signifies that the Newport Chemical Depot has successfully completed its final mission and when the cased colors depart, it will also signify the formal end of Army command.

This is a bittersweet time, but it also brings a sense of hope for the coming years. Plans have been made for the future use of the property. By closing the installation, the community has a better chance for new growth and development in the area and can use the Depot's resources to their advantage.

